

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the Title with the following rewritten Title:

~~RAB9A, SCREENING FOR AGENTS THAT DECREASE PATHOGENICITY BY  
DECREASING RAB11A ACTIVITY, AND MODULATORS THEREOF RELATED TO  
INFECTIOUS DISEASE~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23, lines 1-6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

sequence as follows contains a region that shares 75 percent sequence identity to that identified sequence (for example,  $15 \div 20 * 100 = 75$ ).

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Target Sequence:	AGGTCGTGTA CTGTCAGTCA
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Identified Sequence:	ACGTGCTGA ACTGCCAGTCA

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 23, lines 32-34, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**FIG. 3A** is a nucleotide sequence alignment (SEQ ID NO: 67) between human Rab9A cDNA (Genbank accession no. NM\_004251), and simian Rab9A cDNA (Genbank accession no. AY601640). Nonconserved nucleotides are indicated.

Please replace the Abstract with the following rewritten Abstract:

SCREENING FOR AGENTS THAT DECREASE PATHOGENICITY BY DECREASING  
RAB11A ACTIVITY

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